



# The British School

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1st December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Exciting Opportunity - FOBISIA 2024 Student Leadership Conference**

We hope this letter finds you well. We are thrilled to share an extraordinary opportunity for your child to participate in the FOBISIA 2024 Student Leadership Conference hosted by Prince of Wales Island International School in Penang, Malaysia.

Details of the trip:

- Dates: 31st January - 5th February, 2024
- Host: Prince of Wales Island International School, Penang

The conference with the theme of "Impacting Lives, Changing Futures" is designed to be a transformative experience for TBS student leaders and those actively involved in social, economic, and environmental change initiatives within our school community (e.g. Zonta Gender Equality Club, Eco Committee, Ambassadors, Prefect Team and Aspiring Leaders)

Highlights of the Conference:

- Live Race4Good Experience: Led by Ms. Linda Cruse
- Distinguished Speakers: Including Malaysian and regional young leaders with international accolades (Obama Award, Queen's Young Leader Award, Your Big Year 2011 Winner) such as Melati Wijsen, Michael Teoh, and Heidy Quah \*profiles included in Appendix 2.
- Interactive Workshops: Engaging discussions and workshops tailored to enhance leadership skills.
- Leaders' Ball and Talent Show: A celebration of achievements and talents.
- Community Uplift Experience: Opportunities for service in various locations around Penang.
- Networking: Connect with NGOs and changemaking organizations from Malaysia and Southeast Asia.
- Cultural Exploration: Experience Penang's rich cultural heritage and indulge in its delicious street food.

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## Conference Details:

- Open to: Student leaders in Year 6 and Year 9 to 13.
- Spots: Limited to 26 on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Cost anticipated: USD\$ 1900 (Covers flights, all meals, logistics, transport, workshops, cultural activities, networking events, seminars, ball, talent show, community uplift visits, and welcome event.) Itinerary of the trip included in Appendix 1.

We believe this conference will provide your child with a unique and enriching experience, fostering leadership skills and creating lasting memories. Early registration is encouraged due to the limited number of spots available.

**Please confirm your place with a deposit of USD\$1,000 if you would like your child to join us on this trip by Friday, 8th December at 2.30pm.**

If there are still places available by Monday, 11th December at 8.00am we will open the trip to aspiring leaders in Years 7 and 8, Year 11 Business students and any Sixth Form students who are applying for any Business, Geography or International development related courses. If spaces are still available, please confirm your place with a deposit of USD\$1,000 by Tuesday, 12th December at 2.30pm.

We do apologize for this tight deadline, however this is an opportunity that we wanted to offer to our students and we thank you for your consideration of this trip.

As you consider this trip, please ensure that your child's passport is valid for travel and meets the visa requirements of Malaysia. The trip leadership team is on hand to help with any queries and point you in the right direction, if further assistance is needed. Trip visas will be the responsibility of students' families to obtain and pay for.

For any inquiries or concerns, please feel free to contact Ms.Lama ([rlama@tbs.edu.np](mailto:rlama@tbs.edu.np)) or Ms.Bishop ([sbishop@tbs.edu.np](mailto:sbishop@tbs.edu.np)).

Thank you for your ongoing support in providing exceptional opportunities for our students.

Yours sincerely

**Ms. Rinchen Lama and Samantha Bishop**

Teacher of Mathematics and Teacher of Business and Economics

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## APPENDIX 1

### FOBISIA STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2024: TENTATIVE ITINERARY

“IMPACTING LIVES, CHANGING FUTURES” - 31st January to 5th FEBRUARY 2024, PENANG, MALAYSIA

#### Wednesday 31st January, 2024 (Day 1)

- Students meet at school and buses will be arranged for travel to the airport.
- Leave Kathmandu for a flight to Malaysia \*KTM-KUL-PENANG. Full day travel.
- Students have time to explore the KLIA Shopping Mall.
- Food included on flights and students will be given funds to purchase their dinner at KLIA Shopping mall.
- Arrive at FOBISIA approved 4\* hotel. Students sharing on a 2 or 3 student per room basis

#### Thursday 1st February, 2024 (Day 2)

- Breakfast at the hotel
- Morning cultural activities in Georgetown, Penang (to be confirmed)
- Lunch in Penang
- Afternoon cultural activities in Georgetown, Penang (to be confirmed)
- Start of FOBISIA Leadership Conference 4:30 pm - Welcome conference from Host school.

Activities include: Team Building - Wau Bulan/Hot Air Balloon Making and Street Food Experience @Color Port.

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Friday 2nd to Sunday 4th February , 2024 (Day 3, 4 and 5)

<u>Friday 2nd</u>	<u>Saturday 3rd</u>	<u>Sunday 4th</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at the hotel</li> <li>• Opening performance and welcome from host school</li> <li>• Leadership conference with keynote speaker Linda Cruse (Race4Good founder) and Business Mentors</li> <li>• Students' go into breakout rooms for group discussions and create presentations to Business Mentors.</li> <li>• Dinner</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at the hotel</li> <li>• Opening speech by Hannah Yeoh, the Minister of Youth and Sports</li> <li>• Leadership conference with keynote speaker Melati Wijzen (founder of Youtopia and Forbes' ten most inspiring women)</li> <li>• Workshop sessions with leading young change makers (See Appendix 2 for profiles)</li> <li>• On Site Community Uplift trips to local villages for Service, Teamwork and Challenge workshops.</li> <li>• Ball and talent show in the evening and Dinner.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Breakfast at the hotel</li> <li>• Brain breaks activity</li> <li>• Be the Change inspirational Session with keynote speaker Linda Cruse</li> <li>• Challenges and Future Opportunities for Young Changemakers with Kelvin Yii (adviser to Health Minister) and Danial Rahman (Director of Sunway Education Group)</li> <li>• Leadership workshops in groups including speed coaching with guest speakers.</li> <li>• Closing speeches by Dato (Sir) Kenny Ong and Linda Cruse.</li> <li>• Last evening, a special TBS awards dinner at a special, secret location in Penang.</li> </ul>

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Monday 5th February, 2024 (Day 6 )

- Breakfast at hotel
- Leave Penang for a flight to KTM, via KUL. Full day travel.
- Students have time to explore the KLIA Shopping Mall.
- Food included on flights and students will be given funds to purchase their dinner at KLIA Shopping mall.
- Arrive back in Kathmandu.
- **Parents collect students from school.**

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## APPENDIX 2 GUEST SPEAKER INFORMATION

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### MEET OUR SUPERSTAR CHANGEMAKERS

#### LINDA CRUSE RACE 4 GOOD®

- International humanitarian, world-class leadership coach, entrepreneur, speaker, author and founder of the Race4Good.
- Having spent over two decades living out of a suitcase, with no fixed abode, Linda has captivated audiences with tales of her incredible adventures.
- Based on this extensive frontline experience, Linda has developed leadership programmes for schools, universities and major businesses around the world, to help them develop their top talent. Her courses inspire people of all ages to step outside their comfort zone, develop new ideas, and discover their true potential.



#### MICHAEL TEOH SU LIM

- Founder and CEO of Thriving Talents
- Global Advisor, Youth Spark Initiative by Microsoft
- Fellow, Royal Commonwealth Society
- International keynote speaker and mentor, who has coached Fortune 500 companies across 41 countries
- Author and patent holder of the Potential Matrix



#### HEIDY QUAH

- Founder and Chief of Refuge for the Refugees, a non-profit organisation that aims to raise awareness on the pressing conditions of refugees and provide them support.
- Malaysian social rights advocate
- First Malaysian woman to receive the Queen's Young Leader Award



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## EMELLIA SHARIFF

- CEO of the Malaysian Institute for Debate and Public Speaking
- Founded Speak Up Malaysia, a boutique consulting firm that helps organisations create better workplaces.
- Leading the project to draft the first ever Corporate Governance Guidelines on Diversity, Equality and Inclusion in Malaysia
- MIDP will also be running an exclusive training programme that aims to develop delegates into confident public speakers



## JUSTIN TAN & BEATNATION CREW

- Justin Tan is the CEO at Beatbox International & a Beatbox Educator
- The Beatnation Crew are a group of performers who are very talented Beatboxers with over 20K subscribers on YouTube.
- They are also a group of enthusiastic educators, where they host workshops and classes on Beatboxing and also being supported by the Ministry of Education in Malaysia.
- Beatnation will also be developing delegates' inner confidence through an exclusive beatboxing workshop.



## ANDREA CHEW WEN JUAN

- Co-founder of MAD For Good, a platform with more than 140 thousand volunteers where they strive in Making A Difference with Malaysia's local NGOs.
- Has experiences diverse in the space of Marketing, Psychology, Technology Application (UIUX), Recruitment and Strategic Project Management.



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## MELATI WIJSEN

A 22 year old full time changemaker and movement builder starting from the age of 12. Being the founder of several movements and spoken on world stages such as **TED** and the **UN**, she was being selected as **FORBES top ten most inspiring women** in the country. Her amazing story and experience is truly inspiring to the young generation, encouraging the belief of young people can accelerate change and this is where one her founding company, YOUTHTOPIA comes in.

**YOUTHTOPIA** is a company that is all about **youth empowerment** through short and meaningful peer to peer programmes and providing them the tools they need to be changemakers. Melati truly believes that young people can accelerate change and her vision is to make YOUTHTOPIA the platform for young people to learn frontline skills. Other than YOUTHTOPIA, here are some more of her achievements:

- Founder of Bye Bye Plastic Bags
- Founder of Mountain Mamas
- Founder of One Island One Voice
- Most Influential Teens in the world in TIME and CNN Heroes Young Wonders
- FORBES 30 under 30
- Co-chaired the World Economic Forum GPAP committee.
- Inaugural Expert Advisory Panel for the Earthshot Prize
- Premiered her film "Bigger Than Us" at the 74<sup>th</sup> Cannes Film Festival 2021.

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